Orissa are contiguous, it was felt that steps should be taken to coordinate the anti-naxalite measures of these four States. Towards this end, follow-up official level meetings of the four States have been held and decisons taken in regard to the coordination of police action, and developmental and administrative measures.

Recommendations of Sarkaria Commission

1035. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision on recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission on Centre-State relations; and

(b) whether it is a fact that Governors are still being appointed without consulting the Chief Ministers of the State concerned, by-passing one of the important recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) The Government consilered the recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission on Centre-State relations and decided, in September, 1990 that the recommendations as such may be placed before the Inter-State Council. Accordingly, the report was taken up for discussion in the first meeting of the Inter-State Council held on 10th October, 1990 The Council constituted a Sub-Committee to examine the recommendations and give concrete suggestions thereon. So far three meetings of the Sub-Committee have been held.

Suggestion on Centre-State relations

1036. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have invited suggestions from various Chief Ministers on Centre-State relations;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that Sarkaria Commission's recommendations have totally been nullified; and

(c) if not, what are the impediments in not accepting the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (c) On receipt of the report of the Sarkaria Commission on Centre-State Relations, the Government obtained the comments of the State Governments on the recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission. The Government cosidered these recommendations and decided that the recommendations as such may be placed before the Inter-State Council. The report was taken up for discussion in the first meetng of the Inter-State Council held on 10th October, 1990. After the discussion, it was decided that a Sub-Committee of the Inter-State Council be constituted to examine the recommendations and give concrete suggestions thereon. The Sub-Committee has held three meetings in this regard.

Inter State Council

1037. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up an Inter State Council; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) In pursuance of the recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission, an Inter-State Council under the provisions of the Article 263 of the Constitution was set up by a Presidential Order dated 28th May, 1990.

(b) The composition of the Inter-State Council is as under:—

(i) Prime Minister.